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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:

Sarah DESMOTS et al.

Int'l Appln. No.

PCT/GB98/00950

Int'l Filing Date:

30 March 1998

U.S. Serial No.:

09/381,890

Title

: DEPILATORY COMPOSITIONS, THEIR PREPARATION AND USE

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Attn: Mr. Boris Milef, Legal Examiner

PCT Legal Office

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.47(b)

On 3 April 2000, a Declaration under 37 C.F.R. § 1.497(a) was submitted but, in a Decision on Petition (related to another matter), the PCT Legal Office ruled that the Declaration was not properly executed and is requiring the submission of new Declarations in compliance with Rule 497(a).

There are eight inventors in this application. Declarations under 37 C.F.R. § 1.497(a) are being submitted for four of the inventors. Despite diligent efforts, we have not been able to obtain the signatures of the other four inventors, namely Annick Canelas, Hubert Delagneau, Sarah Desmots and Philippe Ledon. Accordingly, the assignee of this application, Reckitt Benckiser France (by change of name from Reckitt & Colman France) is filing this application on behalf of and as agent for the missing inventors.

I am signing this Petition as attorney for Reckitt Benckiser France.

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I hereby certify under 37 CFR §1.10 that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as Express Mail Po Office to Addressee with sufficient postage on the date indicated belowand is addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, Washington D.C. 20231.
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The missing inventors have assigned all rights in this application to Reckitt & Colman France and their assignments have been recorded in the United States Patent and Trademark Office. The following table contains the assignment data:

Inventor	Assignment Date	Recordal
Annick Canelas	23 November 1999	010878/0595
Hubert Delagneau	3 November 1999	010878/0451
Sarah Desmots	23 March 2000	010878/0432
Philippe Ledon	23 November 1999	010878/0425

The following are their last known addresses:

Annick Canelas 53 rue de Voves 28630 Le Coudray

France

Hubert Delagneau 14 rue des Tilleuls Bailleau L'Eveque 28300 Mainvilliers

France

Sarah Desmots

4 rue de la Fulda

28100 Dreux

France

Philippe Ledon

5 Les Hauts du Château

28300 Saint Prest

France

Attached hereto, in the form of two Declarations by Ms. Amanda J. Wilde are showings of the pertinent facts surrounding efforts to obtain signatures of the missing inventors. With respect to Sarah Desmots, it appears that this is a case where, after diligent effort, the inventor cannot be found. With respect to the other three inventors, they have not returned correspondence requesting that they execute the respective declarations; we cannot be certain, at this point, as to whether they cannot be found or whether they are refusing to sign the declaration. However, it is now necessary to proceed under Rule 1.47(b) in order to preserve the rights of the other inventors and of the missing inventors' assignee.

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Attorney's Docket No.: 08291-619001 / 10456P2-Usw

As noted in the attached declarations of Amanda Wilde, the missing inventors were all, at the time the invention was made, employees of Reckitt & Colman France. Furthermore, they assigned all of their American rights to Reckitt & Colman France. This is a clear showing of sufficient proprietary interest for Reckitt Benckiser France to make application as agent for the missing inventors.

As required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(h), enclosed is a check in the amount of \$130. Respectfully submitted,

Date: 19 March 200/

Frederick H. Rabin Reg. No. 24,488

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DECLARATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.47(b)

I, Amanda J. Wilde, declare as follows:

- 1. I am the Formalities and Records Manager in the Group Patents
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 ensuring that documents relating to patent applications are properly signed by their
 inventors, when necessary.
- 2. The Group Patents Department of Reckitt Benckiser plc handles virtually all of the formalities involved in obtaining patent protections for the inventions owned by the Reckitt Benckiser group companies including, specifically, the assignee of the above-noted application, Reckitt & Colman France (now, by change of name, Reckitt Benckiser France).
- 3. Sarah Desmots is a co-inventor in this application and, at the time the priority applications, EP 97400811.2 and GB 9711447.4, were filed, she was employed by Reckitt & Colman France. On 31 August 1997, she terminated her employment with Reckitt & Colman France.
- 4. Because of the problems arising from the appearance of Ms. Desmots' signature in the Rule 497 Declaration submitted in the instant application, I wrote to Ms. Desmots and asked her to sign a second declaration. A copy of my letter of 1 November 2000 to Ms. Desmots is here attached as Exhibit A. It was addressed to Ms. Desmots at her last known address, which is identical to the address in PCT publication No. WO98/44898. The letter was returned to us with a notation that Ms. Desmots no longer resided at that address. The returned letter was received on 21 November 2000 but, unfortunately, we did not retain a copy of the envelope. We marked the letter as "not at this address".

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5. Through contact with one of Ms. Desmots' colleagues still employed at Reckitt Benckiser France, we learned that Ms. Desmots had moved house and obtained her new address. In a letter dated 1 December 2000, copy of which is here attached as Exhibit B, I again wrote to Ms. Desmots and asked her to execute the second Declaration. To date, we have not received any reply.

6. To the best of my knowledge, Ms. Desmots is no longer in contact with any of her former colleagues who remain in the employ of Reckitt Benckiser France. The Human Resources Department of Reckitt Benckiser France does not have any other contact details for Ms. Desmots and, at this point, there is no practical way for us to track her down.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and all statements made on information and believe are believed to be true and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful, false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. § 1001 and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of this application or any patents issued thereon.

Signed at Kingston upon Hull, England, this 28 day of February, 2001.

Amanda J.Wilde

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Our ref. 10456P2 USw/AJW/JCM.lm

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Date: 1 November 2000

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Dear Ms Desmots

United States Patent Application No. 381890
"Depilatory Compositions, their preparation and use."
Reckitt and Colman France

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I thank you in anticipation for your co-operation.

Kind regards,

Yours sincerely

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I hereby appoint the following attorneys and/or agents to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith:

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Full Name of Inventor	SARAH DESMOTS		1	
Inventor's Signature:		Date:		· · ·
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Full Name of Inventor	: SARAH DESMOTS	<u>S</u>	1
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- 5. To date, we still have not received the executed Assignment documents from Annick Canelas, Hubert Delagneau and Philippe Ledon sent on 13 February 2001.

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Amanda J. Wilde

Signed at Kingston upon Hull, England, this 16 day of March, 2001

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Date: 1 November 2000

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Mr A Canelas 53 rue de Voves 28630 LE COUDRAY FRANCE

Dear Mr Canelas

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"Depilatory Compositions, their preparation and use."
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EXHIBIT "D"

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Your Ref:

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BY SWIFT AIR RECORDED

Mr H Delagneau 14 rue des tilleuls Bailleau L'Eveque 28300 Mainvilliers FRANCE

Dear Mr Delagneau

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Full Name of Inventor	: <u>HUBERT DELAGNEAU</u>
Inventor's Signature:	Date:
Residence:	Mainvilliers, France
Citizen of:	France
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Mr P Ledon
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FRANCE

Dear Mr Ledon

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